the allegations as to the murdering and plundering of wounded Dervishes by camp followers after the battle of Omdurman, and also in regard to the alleged dismemberment of the Mahdi's body before it was thrown into the Nile.

SCOTCH PRIVATE BILLS.

Sir H CAMPBELL BANNERMAN asked the First Lord of the Treasury when the Scotch Private Bill Procedure Bill would be taken. He hoped it would not be immediately before or after the Easter Recess, as it would not be convenient for members who had long railway journeys to take at this inclement season of the year (laughter).

Mr. BALFOUR said he originally suggested it should be taken on the Tuesday before the House seperated, but he would put it down for the Monday, leaving nothing for Tuesday except the motion for the adjournment.

THE BUDGET.

Sir HENRY FOWLER asked if any day had been fixed for the Budget.

Mr BALFOUR—I hope it will be taken on the first Thursday after we return, but that must not be taken as a pledge.

LONDON GOVERNMENT BILL.

On the order for the second reading of the London Government Bill,

Mr. HERBERT GLADSTONE moved "That no Bill dealing with the local government of the metropolis will be satisfactory which, whilst disturbing the existing system, fails to simplify and complete it, and which at the same time renders more difficult the attainment of the unity of London." He held, he said, that excepting in size London was in no way dissimilar to the other great cities of this country, and that the government of the metropolis ought to be in the hands of one great central authority with subordinate councils having ample powers to carry out such local concerns as might be necessary. The unity of London was directly challenged by this Bill (oh, and cheers). The whole tendency of the measure was to weaken and intimidate the present central authority, and to set up under the name and guise of municipal boroughs a number of parishes selected arbitrarily and on a settled plan. The Conservative Party were proceeding against the experience of the last fifty years and had entirely changed their policy in regard to this question. Had Mr. Balfour so fallen in love with the municipal system that he must have twenty-four Corporations in London instead one, or did this change of policy spring from antipathy to the London County Council (Opposition cheers). He demanded from the Government their authority for this proposal (renewed cheers). On what report or Royal Commission was it based? Where was their mandate (loud cheers). The Government had not approached the County Council in any way. He and his friends preferred under the circumstances to have no Bill at all. In defiance of the Royal Commission of 1894 and the decisive opinion expressed by London in March, 1898, the Bill reversed the policy which had been followed by the Government in 1888, and it would reverse the whole political life of the metropolis by forcing into the arena questions relating to the whole frame and constitution of London government (loud Opposition cheers).

The discussion on the amendment had not concluded at midnight, when the debate stood adjourned.

CIVIL SERVICE VOTE.

Mr HAVELOCK WILSON moved to reduce the Civil Service vote by one hundred pounds as a protest against the neglect of the Board of Trade to enforce various provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act in the interests of British seafaring men.

The vote was carried by 134 against 32.

The House rose at 25 minutes past 2.

ST. JOSEPH'S NEW CHURCH, MONAGHAN.

APPEAL BY THE MOST REV. DR. OWENS, BISHOP OF CLOGHER.

On Sunday evening a meeting of the Catholics of Monaghan assembled on invitation by his Lordship the Most Rev Dr Owens, Bishop of the Diocese, was held in the Christian Brothers' Schools for the purpose of taking the initial step in wiping off the debt incurred in the erection of the new church of St Joseph, Monaghan, which will be dedicated in the coming autumn. His Lordship presided, and amongst those present were the Rev P M'Donnell, Adm; Rev J Gallagher, C C; Rev F Tierney, Professor St Macartan's Seminary, Monaghan; Rev John Trainor, do, and a large attendance of the laity.

His Lordship, addressing the meeting, said he had to thank them, in the first instance, for coming out in such large numbers—many of them, he felt sure, at considerable inconvenience—that evening. It was just characteristic of the good Catholics of Monaghan; they were always too ready and willing to respond to the invitations of their clergy—to second the efforts of the bishop and priests, when those efforts were directed, as they invariably were, to good objects (applause). He said on that day week that he was ready to give £500 to the new church; that he would pay £300 that evening, and that, if he should live for the opening, he should pay the balance, and if he did not he should make the amount secure (loud applause). Since that day week he had found greatly to his surprise, one very generous member of the community, who had, notwithstanding his (his Lordship's) protest, insisted on expending on the High Altar of the new church as much as £500 (applause). This very generous member wished not to have his name mentioned for the present, but when he (his Lordship) told them that he did not expect the offering it would not be difficult to discover who that generous donor was (applause). Another worthy member of the community—one of the eldest inhabitants of the town—had undertaken since that day week to fill the sanctuary window with stained glass at a cost of £150 (applause). In this case no obligation of secrecy had been put upon him, and he was at liberty to mention that this generous donor was Mrs Deighon, of Church square (applause). In that way they had practically put together inside the last eight days £1,150. He wished it to be understood that he put no pressure on anyone. He would rather undertake the payment of the whole cost himself rather than that there should be the least undue pressure on any member of the community. As they knew, he had a little to begin the work with, but that had long since gone. It would not give him the least trouble if on the completion of the church a debt still remained, and he would willingly pay the interest on such a debt until a means could be found of paying it off (applause). He said that in order that none of them might feel oppressed by this appeal. He left all to their own generosity, and in opening the subscription list with his first instalment of £300 he gave them the assurance that every penny of it was his own (loud applause).

The subscriptions were then taken up, and when the list was closed it was found that the actual amount in cash paid down was £721, while in addition £600 had been promised to be paid on the day of dedication.

His Lordship duly acknowledged the generosity exhibited, and brought the proceedings to a close by imparting his blessing to the meeting.

ALLEGED ASSAULT IN A RAILWAY CARRIAGE.

London, Tuesday.

At Bow street Police Court this afternoon George Procter Ellison, aged 32, bank clerk, living at Hither Green, was charged with indecently assaulting Miss Eva Shipway, aged 47, living at Beckenham, and causing her actual bodily harm. Plaintiff, whose left eye and hand were badly cut, deposed that she travelled to London this morning by the South-Eastern Railway. She was alone in a third-class carriage. When at Cannon street Station prisoner got in, and immediately after leaving Waterloo Station assaulted her. She screamed, and he then put his hand over her mouth. She managed to get to the window and broke the window with her hands, screaming for help. On the arrival of the train at Charing Cross Ellison was arrested. He denied the charge, said "Girls would say anything," and declared he was reading a paper in the corner of the carriage furthest from Miss Shipway, when she suddenly rushed to the window and broke it, and he merely pulled her back. Two railway servants deposed that when the train was running into Charing Cross Station they heard the girl screaming, "Oh, save me." The prisoner was remanded for inquiry.

PARIS NOTES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Paris, March 20.

The French Government helped Cardinal Richard to make the funeral of the Apostolic Nuncio, Monsignor Clari, very imposing. The Republic sent its high officials and generals to Notre Dame, lent cavalry, infantry, and artillery, and fired minute guns, while the Archbishop regulated the Church Service, and paid for it out of the funds of the diocese. The body of the Legate was taken to Notre Dame on Monday night, and the Solemn Service began on Tuesday morning at ten o'clock. The Cathedral was filled on the occasion, conspicuous among the persons near the catafalque being the brilliantly-attired diplomatic representatives of the various nations, such as Russia, Germany, England, Italy, Spain, China, and Persia. The chief mourners were the Monsignori who acted as the late Nuncio's secretaries, and some members of the Clari family. With them were the Chamberlains of "Cape and Sword," sent specially from Rome. The choir was a blaze of Roman purple and violet, intermingled with black. There was first, Cardinal Richard, who presided, seated near the high altar, and next, Cardinal Langenieux, Archbishop of Rheims, on the Epistle side; Cardinal Lecot, Archbishop of Bordeaux, at the Gospel side; the Archbishops of Bourges, Toulouse, Sens, and Tours; the Bishops of Sees, Evreux, Troyes, Cahors, Dijon, Mans; Monseigneur Le Roy, Titular Bishop of Alinda, and Superior-General of the Congregation of the Holy Ghost; Monseigneur de Courmont, Bishop of Bodona; Monseigneur de la Passardiere, Bishop of Rosea; representatives of the Patriarchs of Antioch and Jerusalem, the Vicars-General of Paris, and Superior-Generals and Superiors of Orders and Congregations. Large numbers of nuns were also present.

The Solemn High Mass was celebrated by Mgr de l'Escaille, Dean of the Metropolitan Chapter, with the liturgical plain chant which was sung by the Cathedral choir, the students of St Sulpice, and those of the little Seminary of St Nicolas. There were thus three hundred voices, one being a very pure soprano heard in a solo. The singing throughout, both in unison and in parts, was perfect. The choirs were directed by M Geispitz, the priest who is Chapelmaster at Notre Dame, and by the conductor of the St Sulpice Class of Harmony. After the Mass five Absolutions were given by prelates, according to Episcopal promotion. First came the Archbishop of Bourges, Mgr Servonnet, then Mgr Renou, Archbishop of Tours; Mgr Mathieu, Archbishop of Toulon; Mgr Ardin, Archbishop of Sens; and finally Cardinal Richard. Thus, according to rule, only one Cardinal gave an Absolution, although there were others present. When all was over the body was taken down to the door of the church, preceded by priests, religious and acolytes, at the head being two Franciscans from the Batignolles Friary of the Recollects, who were near neighbours and friends of the late Nuncio. Outside Notre Dame the troops marched past before the coffin, while bells pealed mournfully; the bands played funeral marches, and the guns boomed salvoes. The body was temporarily placed in the crypt of the Cathedral, prior to transfer to Sinigaglia, where Mgr Clari was born.

Exceptional solemnity marked the celebration of St Patrick's Day in Paris this year. At ten o'clock in the morning Mass was celebrated by Father O'Doherty, Professor at the Irish College, in the historic chapel at 16 Rue des Carmes. It was in this place, originally the Lombards' College, founded for Italian students by the Bishop of Tournay and the Archbishops of Bologna and Ravenna, that the Irish priests had their headquarters after having been obliged to fly from Ireland through persecutions. The place was given to them in August, 1677, and it is still the property of the Irish College of the Rue des Irlandais. James II. once held a levee there during his stay in Paris, which ended with his death at St Germain en Laye. On this memorable spot there assembled on Friday morning many Irishmen and some French friends of Ireland. All the students of the Irish College attended, headed by the Rector, the Very Rev Father Boyle, C M, with whom were Fathers Dowling, Vinerman, and O'Regan, also of the Vincentians; the Rev M Courteline, the Rev C Hermeline, both Professors at the Little Seminary of Notre Dame des Champs, and the Rev Mr Crowley, M de Kirwan and Madame de Kirwan, M and Madame and Master O'Toole, Madame Dorley, M Nemours Godre, Dr Keating, Mr Hall, M Pierre, President of the Catholic Workmen's Club, and a few other French ladies and gentlemen were present. After Father O'Doherty had said Mass, the Rev C Hermeline, who speaks English well, delivered a most interesting address. After having reviewed the career of St Patrick, he referred to the miraculous operation which the Saint had effected in Ireland—an operation which made the Green Isle one of the most solid strongholds of the Catholic Faith down to the present day. To Ireland were applicable the words of Tertullian about the "blood of martyrs being the seed of Christians." The persecutions in Ireland, said the reverend speaker, only served to implant the Faith more firmly in the hearts of the people who were still engaged in expanding it throughout the world. In New York there are more Catholics than in Rome, and that must be attributed to the Irish, who also helped in the expansion of the Faith in Australia, Africa, and elsewhere. M Hermeline was warmly congratulated at the conclusion of his admirable address. Before the ceremonies in the chapel terminated, the students of the Irish College, who had sung during Mass, gave the hymn "Faith of our Fathers." At the Church of the Passionists, Avenue Hoche, St Patrick's Day was also observed with special solemnity. At ten o'clock High Mass was sung by Monseigneur de Courmont, Bishop of Bodona. In the afternoon the Rev Father Columban, C P, preached the panegyric of St Patrick. There was also a Mass at Notre Dame, celebrated by Monseigneur de l'Escaille, for the "St Patrick's Association."

On Saturday evening the "Shamrock" banquet took place at the Grand Hotel du Louvre. Among those present were — The Very Rev Canon Connelly, Father O'Doherty, the Rev C Hermeline, Rev M Couteville, M L Nemours Godre, M C de Kirwan, M O'Toole, Mr C M'Carthy Teeling, M Auguste Roussel, M Joseph Mollet, M Paul Taillier, Baron Farquharson-Stuart, M Boyer de Bouillane, Baron de Bernon, Dr Keating, and more than thirty other gentlemen.

The Erckmann-Chatrian romances are now-a-days little read; but their writers are well remembered. The last of the two literary Alsatians who made fortunes by the originality of their realistic stories written in a clear, simple style, has now gone. Emile Erckmann, formerly a schoolmaster, has died near Nancy, and his former collaborator, Chatrian, passed away at Phalsburg in 1890. They were both good business men, as well as authors, and each looked so carefully after his own interests that a quarrel ensued, and they separated. Erckmann, who was a morose man, executed the other, whom he regarded as an inferior writer. To prove this he wrote several stories single-handed. Both Erckmann and Chatrian are accused of having paved the way to the present unpopularity of the Army among the masses. They drew pictures of peasants who had no patriotism, and who only accepted military service because it was imposed upon them.

ITALY AND CHINA.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

Rome, Tuesday.

The Chinese Minister has been commissioned to explain and endeavour to bring about a settlement of the incident of the return by the Peking Government of the Italian Note to Signor Martino. On the other hand, it is stated that the Minister will inform his Government of the firm attitude adopted by the Italian Government. The negotiations will, however, be carried on chiefly at Peking through the new Italian representative, who will leave for China without delay.

Rome, Tuesday Evening.

The Chinese Minister was received to-day by King Humbert. His Excellency returns to London this evening. Signor Salvago Raggi will leave immediately for Pekin, where he is expected to arrive in about six weeks' time, and will then resume negotiations, which, according to the "Italie," can only be entrusted to the head of the Italian Legation. No solution of the question can therefore be expected for two months.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

TRAINING OF THE MEATH MILITIA.

Drogheda, Tuesday.

Thanks to the efforts of Colonel Pepper, the training of the Meath Militia, numbering upwards of 1,060 men, will take place this year at Mosney, four miles from Drogheda.

DEATH OF A COUNTY COUNCILLOR.

Clonmel, Tuesday.

I regret to announce the death of Mr Michael Scott, County Councillor for the Fenor Division of Tipperary, which occurred rather suddenly at his residence, Gortober, near Thurles. He was recently returned unopposed for this division, and had been for many years guardian in Urlingford Union, and D V C of that board. He was unmarried, and was a brother of the late Father Scott, C C Fethard. A fresh election will now take place in the division.

LAND PURCHASE IN CO. LIMERICK.

Our Glin correspondent writes—The tenants on the county Limerick estate of the late Daniel Fitzgerald Gabbett, J P, formerly M P for Limerick city, have just received intimation from the Land Court that they are now the owners of their holdings under the 40th section of the Land Act. The terms are 20 years' rent on the valuation made by Mr. E Langley Hunt, the Court Valuer, who was specially sent down for the purpose. In some instances the instalments the tenants will have to pay of the advance made by the court for the purchase will not be quite half of the old rent, while in others the reductions vary from 20 to 40 per cent on the old rents.

NEW MASTER FOR ARMAGH WORKHOUSE.

Armagh, Tuesday.

A specially convened meeting of the Armagh Board of Guardians was held to-day for the purpose of electing a master of the workhouse in room of Mr David Gillespie lately resigned. The salary was settled at £75, with apartments, rations, &c. There were five applicants, out of which Mr. James Stuart, at present Head Constable of the R I C in Armagh, was elected by a considerable majority.

THE NATIONAL TEACHERS.

KERRY COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting was held at Killarney. Mr M O'Doherty, Killorglin, was unanimously chosen chairman, and Mr Courtney, of Killarney, was elected hon sec. Messrs Dennehy, Hickey, Courtney, O'Donnell, O'Doherty, and O'Brien were elected to represent the association at the Limerick Congress. Resolutions were adopted claiming class salaries for Assistants, abolition of results system, withdrawal of caretaker's agreement, compulsory education, salaries to be sent direct to teachers, abolition of character query, promotion of II old programme by efficiency, define highly efficient service.

PUPIL'S CONCERT AT ST JOSEPH'S CONVENT SCHOOLS, LONGFORD.

Longford, Tuesday.

A concert, which was attended with great success, was held in the Infant Schoolroom of St Joseph's Convent, Longford, yesterday afternoon. Earlier in the day Solemn Pontifical High Mass was celebrated in the beautiful chapel attached to the Convent, in the presence of a large congregation, it being the anniversary of the foundation of the Convent, the stone of which was laid by the Most Rev Dr Conroy. The celebrant of High Mass was Most Rev Dr Hoare, Bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise; Rev Father Kiernan, C C, deacon; Rev Father O'Farrell, C C, Clonbroney, assistant deacon; Rev Father Caserly, Killashee, assistant subdeacon; Dean Monahan, assistant priest; Father Murray, C C, master of ceremonies. In the choir were—Venerable Archdeacon Smyth, Granard; Canon O'Farrell, Ardagh; Canon Gilligan, Carrick-on-Shannon; Canon O'Farrell, Drumraney; Canon Martin, Edgeworthstown; Father Dowdall, C C, Scrabby; Father Ledwith C C, Edgeworthstown; Father Masterson, C C, Lanesboro'; Father Maguire, C C, Newtown; Father Dawson, C C, Ballinamuck; Father Pickman, Adm, Ballymahon; Father P O'Hara C C, Mohill; Father Rourke, Mohill. An eloquent sermon was preached by Rev Father Rourke, S J, on St Joseph.

At the conclusion of the solemn functions an adjournment was made to the Schoolroom, where his Lordship, a large number of clergy, nuns from Mohill, Granard, and Newtown, respectively, and many of the laity, were entertained by the pupils of the convent in a grand concert. Amongst those present were—Most Rev Dr Hoare, Bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise; Rev Father Fullam, President of St Mel's College; Rev Fathers James and Bernard Manning, The College; Rev Father Caserly, Rev Father Boylan, Drumlumman; Rev Father Cahill, Dromod; Rev Father Burke, Carrick-on-Shannon; Rev Father Maguire, Co Leitrim; Rev Father Skelly, Newtown; Rev Father Moore, Clough; Rev Father M'Gaver, Kiltubrent; Rev Father Dolan, Adm, Rev Father Kiernan, C C, and Rev Father Murray, C C, Longford; Messrs Mathew Farrell, C T C, J P; J M'Gaver, T C; T Shanley, T C; P Kelly, Dr Maguire, M Guinan, M Nolan (traffic manager M G W R); Mrs P Kelly, Longford; Mrs H Kelly, Edgeworthstown; Mrs Mayne, Miss Lovinge, Miss Nead, Miss M'Gaver, Miss Gaughran, Moydow; the Misses Kenny, Castlewilder; the Misses Jones, Longford; Miss M'Cann, the Misses Farrell, Lisduff; Mrs Atkinson, Mrs Flanagan and family, Miss A Larkin, Miss Wilson, Mrs Kilkelly and family, Miss Wilson, Miss Thornton, Mrs and Miss Delany, Miss Langan, Miss E Ross, Miss Phillips, Carbery; Mrs Grogan, Mrs Rentoul, and Miss Harris. When the concert had concluded his Lordship complimented the children on the intelligence and abilities displayed by them, and likewise congratulated the nuns for the very efficient training and knowledge imparted to the pupils.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE SODALITY.

RETREAT BY THE VERY REV BERNARD VAUGHAN, S. J.

The usual Triduum in preparation for Easter held by the Sodality of University College, will commence to day (Wednesday), and will be conducted by the Very Rev Bernard Vaughan, S J, Rector of the Jesuits' Church in Manchester. Father Vaughan belongs to a family which has given many distinguished ecclesiastics to the Church. The Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster is his brother, while no less than four other brothers entered the sacred ministry; one, the late Dr Bede Vaughan, having attained the dignity of Archbishop of Sydney. The present Bishop of Plymouth is his uncle. Father Vaughan himself is known throughout England as a controversial preacher of singular power, and has, with his distinguished brothers, contributed in a large degree towards the Catholic revival in that country. He is already known in Dublin as an eloquent preacher, and the distinguished position which he occupies will probably attract large numbers to the Retreat, which be is to conduct in connection with the College Sodality. The exercises will commence at 1 p m, and again at 7 45 p m, on to-day and tomorrow and Friday. They will be open to all students and professional men. Tickets may be had on application to the College.

EXPLOSION IN A CARTRIDGE FACTORY.

London, Tuesday.

An explosion occurred this morning in the Cannon Cartridge Factory, East Laboratory, Woolwich Arsenal, where the work of filling cartridges and cordite is carried on. The whole of the workmen rushed out of the building, but after the effects of the explosion had passed off a workman named Henry Taney, 27, married, was found lying unconscious outside the door, with burns on face and hands and suffering from shock. Hopes are entertained of his recovery. The factory where the explosion occurred forms part of the "Danger Buildings," in Plumpstead Marshes, specially constructed to prevent explosions extending to the adjacent workshops.

THE COMING ELECTIONS.

MEETING IN WOODFORD, COUNTY GALWAY.

Loughrea, Tuesday.

On Sunday last a large and enthusiastic meeting was held in Woodford, the prime object of which was to further the interests of the United Irish League candidates for the county council and district council of South and East Galway. Deputations attended from the different electoral divisions interested, which contributed largely to make the demonstration one of the most important of its kind held in the locality. Amongst those who addressed the meeting were—Rev Father Costelloe, P P, Woodford; Rev Father Eegan, P P, Duniry; Messrs J Roche, M P; P Sweeney, Loughrea; John Derevan, Portumna, etc. After the business of the appointments for district councillors was got through the more important selection of the county councillors for the Loughrea and Portumna divisions of Galway was discussed. The relative merits of the nominated candidates—Mr. Peter Sweeney and Mr John Derevan—for these divisions were dwelt upon at length, when the following resolutions were put to the meeting and unanimously adopted—

That we, the electors of South and East Galway, in public meeting assembled at Woodford, unanimously adopt the candidatures of Mr Peter Sweeney and Mr John Derevan for the county council division of Loughrea and Portumna, and pledge ourselves to strain every nerve in securing their triumphant return.

That we the priests and people assembled at Woodford hereby proclaim our determination to assert our right to equality in the matter of university education.

CARRACASTLE, CO. MAYO, U I L.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the above branch was held on Sunday under the presidency of the Rev P Durcan, P P. A resolution was adopted calling on the Leaguers of the Clonmore and Kilbeagh Electoral Divisions to vote and support the candidates appointed by the United Irish League, viz, J Jennings, Carracastle; J Benson, Rooskey; J Parsons, Charlestown; R Gallagher, Lurига Upper.

MEETING IN COOLOCK.

A large and enthusiastic meeting was held on Sunday in Coolock in support of the candidature of Mr J J Flood, as County Councillor, and Messrs Wm Hoey and Michael M'Guinness, as District Councillors, for the Baldoyle and Coolock Division of North Dublin. Great crowds assembled from the different districts about, and the Finglas Brass Band, St Margaret's Fife and Drum Band, Baldoyle and Coolock Bands, all headed large contingents. Mr C S M Guinness presided, and was supported on the platform by representatives of all the divisions mentioned. Having opened the proceedings, the chairman called on Mr Murphy, who proposed a resolution placing confidence in and support to Mr Flood. He exhorted his fellow labourers to vote solid for their men, who pledged themselves at every meeting to do their part, and show that the men of North Dublin were solid to the heart's core for labour and liberty.

Mr J J Flood, who was loudly cheered, dwelt at length on the manner in which the labourers were treated in the past, and the great future before them if they proved true and sincere to themselves.

A resolution endorsing the candidature of Messrs M'Guinness and Hoey for the District Council was proposed by Mr Lyons, Baldoyle, and supported by Mr Dixon, Dublin; Mr P Gregan, ex-T C, Dublin; Mr R J Duggan, Dublin; and passed unanimously.

Messrs Wm Hoey and Michael M'Guinness, who met with a great reception, then thanked the electors for the many promises of support received in their canvass, and assured the meeting that when elected they would prove in every way worthy of their utmost confidence.

A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the meeting, which was very orderly, and carried on to the entire satisfaction of all interested.

COUNTY DUBLIN C. C.

LUCAN, CLONSILLA, BLANCHARDSTOWN, AND PALMERSTON DIVISION.

A public meeting of the Nationalists of above division was held in Lucan on Sunday, 19th instant, in support of the Nationalist candidate, Mr John Brennan. It was very large and representative, upwards of five hundred people attended. The chair was occupied by Mr Edward Lynch, P L G, Springfield, Clondalkin. The Chairman opened the proceedings by a short review of the candidates. Among others the meeting was addressed by Mr James Egan, Sword Bearer, Dublin Corporation; Mr Lambert, Chairman Amnesty Association; Mr Joseph Dowd, Lucan, etc. The speakers were strongly in favour of Mr Brennan, and Mr Egan's eloquent speech was loudly applauded.

Mr Brennan, who was received most enthusiastically by the meeting, then addressed them in a suitable speech, explaining his views on all the most important points of National interest and thanked them for their support.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the meeting.

The Lucan and Leixlip bands were in attendance.

Mr Brennan intends to hold a similar meeting at Blanchardstown on Sunday next, the 26th.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PROGRESS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE FREEMAN.

Edgeworthstown, March 20th, 1899.

DEAR SIR—I wish through the medium of your influential columns to call the attention of Irish thinkers to the very remarkable article in my brother's "Economic Journal" of this month (March) by Mr W P Reeves, the singularly able Agent-General for New Zealand, one of the most original and advanced thinkers of the day, wherein Mr Reeves proves to demonstration what notable prosperity and progress Australasia and New Zealand had achieved through having been allowed a free hand in managing their own affairs in their own way —they have cut their coat to suit their own cloth—would that we in Ireland could follow suit! An obvious and irrefutable corollary from Mr. Reeves' article is that if Ireland could extort control of her own Customs she might at one bound become one of the most flourishing agricultural communities on the face of the earth, instead of what she is, the Cinderella of the nations, brought low by 100 years of alien misrule and over-taxation, the victim of regularly-recurring famines and misery, which are the never-failing results of over-taxation according to all economic theory and precedent. The remedy is simplicity itself—sancta simplicitas!—Let us manage our own little island in our way, and we shall, as surely as the night follows the day, become contented, loyal, prosperous, and peaceful, a help and not a stumbling-block to the contiguous island. Instead of a million-and-a-half of our Irish money wasted upon helmeted policemen to look after four million of Irish men, women, and children, and about half-a-million of unfortunate muzzled Irish dogs—be the same more or less—let us have the right to settle our own Custom duties and protect our nation's industries. Such is the prescription for Ireland's chronic malady of decline propounded with every confidence in its infallible efficacy (if we could only get it) by yours truly,

A. E. EDGEWORTH.

£4,000,000 FOR SPAIN.

Washington, Tuesday.

The twenty million dollars, four millions sterling, which the United States pays to Spain, becomes available so soon as the ratifications of the Treaty have been exchanged. If Spain desires it can be transmitted through M. Cambon, or it can be paid in Paris by the United States Fiscal Agents there.

THE LATE LORD HERSCHELL.

London, Tuesday.

A funeral service for the late Lord Herschell was held at Westminster Abbey at noon today, when a great congregation assembled. The Queen was represented by Lord Churchill, one of the Lords-in-Waiting, who brought a wreath on behalf of her Majesty, bearing the autograph inscription, "A mark of sincere regard from Victoria." The Prince of Wales was represented by Sir Francis Knollys. The pallbearers comprised—The United States Ambassador, Mr Balfour, Lord James of Hereford, Sir Henry Roscoe, Mr F Buxton, the Lord Chancellor, Lord Kimberley, Lord Strathcona, the Speaker, and Mr Victor Williamson.

THE EVICTED TENANTS.

GREAT DEMONSTRATION IN LOUGHREA

A monster demonstration was held in Loughrea, organised by the Nationalists of the district, in furtherance of the cause of the evicted tenants. Every parish within a radius of 12 miles of Loughrea was fully represented at the meeting, large contingents coming from the districts where the land agitation raged fiercest, and where there are now "wounded soldiers" in need of help. All the Nationalists of the country went hand in hand in carrying out the good work, and they were, as heretofore, ably assisted by the clergy. The action of the Most Rev Dr Healy, D D, in subscribing for the cause was hailed with the greatest satisfaction, and several others immediately followed his example. Besides this arrangements were made to appoint committees in every parish for the purpose of making up a subscription for the evicted tenants. The meeting was the largest held in Galway for a number of years past.

On the proposition of Mr P J Kelly, P L G, seconded by Mr T Mulhern, T C,

The Rev Father Nohilly, Adm, Loughrea, was moved to the chair, and on coming forward was received with loud cheers. During the course of an eloquent speech he said—The evicted tenants have a claim on the tenant farmers of Ireland. They fought your battle; whatever reductions you got in your rents, whatever fixity of tenure you have got in your homes, you owe it all to the evicted tenants (hear, hear). In fact, whatever advancement we have made in the effort to gain legislative independence for our country we owe it in a great measure to the evicted tenants of Ireland (cheers). Therefore, it is our plain duty to see that the evicted tenants are looked after and let it go forth from this great meeting that whoever else may forget the sacrifices they have made the people of Loughrea will not forget them (cheers). It is not speeches the evicted tenants want (hear, hear). It is money. I am glad to be able to announce to this magnificent meeting that we have the sympathy of our noble Bishop (cheers). He has this day handed me a cheque for three pounds for the poor evicted (cheers). I myself will give £2 freely for the same cause, and I feel confident, as a result of this meeting, South Galway will soon send the wounded soldiers a message that we here, at least, will not forget their sacrifices until we see them march back to their old homes, or, at least, to others equally comfortable (loud cheers).

Mr Martin Kennedy, hon sec, read letters of apology for non-attendance from Messrs W Field, M P; Wm Redmond, M P; Mayor of Dublin, Rev Canon Canton, Athenry; Rev Father Egan, P P, Duniry; Rev J Cahalan, P P, Kiltulla; Rev P Lee, C C, Kilreecle; Rev Father Costello, P P, Woodford—all of whom expressed their sympathy with the movement.

Mr John Dillon, M P, wrote—"My Dear Sir—I regret that it is quite impossible for me to be in Loughrea on St Patrick's Day, owing to engagements entered into long before I received your letter. I wish your meeting every success. In my opinion the one thing needed to rescue the evicted tenants from their present position is a general union amongst Irish Nationalists and a thorough organisation of the country" (cheers).

Mr Michael Davitt, M P, wrote:—"Dear Sir—Yours of the 11th inst, inviting me to a meeting at Loughrea on St Patrick's Day, only reached me this morning. I regret I cannot be present, as I have to start for Scotland tomorrow in order to fulfil engagements there on the 16th and 17th. Wishing your meeting every success."

Miss Maude Gonne wired expressing her deep sympathy with the cause, and regretting that other engagements prevented her from attending.

Mr Peter Sweeney, who was warmly received, proposed: "That we, the people of South and East Galway, publicly assembled in Loughrea, believe it to be the supreme and immediate duty of every man living on Irish soil, and deriving from it, directly or indirectly, the necessities of livelihood, to keep clear in front the claims of the evicted tenants, and to give with a generous Irish spirit that sustenance and courage sufficient to maintain them until the triumph and justice of the fight for which they sacrificed home and happiness, is firmly and finally secured."

Mr Thomas Smyth seconded, and Mr Jas Lynam, one of the evicted tenants, supported the resolution, which was carried.

Mr P J Kelly Killeenadeema) proposed: "That to serve beneficially and practically the great cause of the evicted tenants, we believe it to be the just and paramount duty of all Irishmen to assist in knitting together the sundered ties of the old fellowship and union through which, when sound and unbroken, we reaped such magnificent benefits."

Mr William J Duffy seconded the resolution. He said it pleased him beyond measure to follow his friend, Mr Peter Kelly, by calling for unity (hear, hear). For years and years he had longed and yearned that such a day might come when Irishmen, forgetful of the past, and unmindful of the bitterness and differences of the past few years, might walk together like honest and true men, and show and prove that the heart and the soul of Ireland were still incorruptible (cheers), walk together, and show and prove that no matter what might be said to the contrary (even though it might be alleged that the National spirit was on the wane), the heart of Ireland was sound, and that the spirit was undying and indestructible (cheers).

The motion was adopted.

Mr Francis Tully and Mr P Boland, Woodford, also addressed the meeting.

Mr M Clasby, P L G, Craughwell, proposed and Mr James Lynam seconded a vote of thanks to the chairman, which was carried enthusiastically.

Father Nohilly having returned thanks, the proceedings terminated.

WOLFE TONE AND NINETY-EIGHT MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

Meetings of the General Purposes Sub-Committee of the above named Association took place on the 13th and 16th inst at the offices, 15 D'Olier street, Mr J P O'Brien presiding. Also present—Messrs P W Corrigan, T C; J Butler, P Culleton, G Sparks, J W O'Beirne, T Cahill, — Kelly, G A Lyons, J J Kennedy, P Macken, P T Daly, J Dunphy, and J P Dunne, secretary.

Letters were submitted from the Town Clerk, City Engineer, and Secretary Tramways Company assenting to the request made by the committee that no guiding poles for electric wires should be placed contiguous to the site of the memorial, or in any other manner likely to act detrimentally to the view of the memorial when erected.

The Secretary also submitted an extract from the "San Francisco Nation," which reported the holding of a grand celebration on the Emmet Anniversary by the Knights of the Red Branch of that city in aid of the Wolfe Tone Monument Fund, and the intention of the committee having charge of the collection of funds for the memorial to close the subscription list for that purpose with the receipts from the above-mentioned meeting.

The organisation arrangements of the Lyric Theatre Matinee on St Patrick's Day having been dealt with, it was decided to hold a special meeting of the committee at 15 D'Olier street on Thursday next, to deal with the question of performance of secretarial work by the hon secretaries, and the providing of suitable offices for the association. Cheques for outstanding accounts were submitted and signed by the chairman.

The following notice of motion was handed in by Mr J J Kennedy for next meeting:—

"That our secretary be instructed to advertise in the public Press for draft specification and tender for monument and statute thereon of Theobald Wolfe Tone in light bronze, giving height and dimensions, etc, thereof, all material to be as far as possible of Irish manufacture to be executed by an Irish artist and contractor, so as to enable us to announce to the public the amount of funds required to order and construct the monument."

The meeting then adjourned till Thursday evening, 23rd inst, at 15 D'Olier street, when all moneys due by the Lyric Matinee Accounts are requested to be forwarded to the secretary between the hours of 8 and 10 p m.

LABOUR CONVENTION IN CLONMEL.

IMPORTANT RESOLUTIONS.

A convention of representatives of the Trade and Labour League Branches of the different districts in South Tipperary was held in the Mechanics Institute, Clonmel. Mr E Murphy presided, and there were also present—Messrs J J Shee, M P, hon sec to the organisation; Michael O'Connell, T C; James O'Connell, T C; E F Walsh, T C; P Burke, T C. Clonmel Trade and Labour League—John M'Cormack, James Shaw, James Minton, Patrick Hickey, John English. Clonmel Irish National Foresters—Michael Hogan, Chief Ranger; Bros James Williams, William O'Connor, James Talbot, Richard Dennehy. Tipperary—David L Quane, U C; James Fitzgerald, Michael Lyons, David Casey, William Barlow. Fethard T and L L—T Byrne, J Hackett, John Ryan, P Kenrick. Cashel—J J Buggey, John Duggan, John Brennan, John M'Namara. Killenaule—Thos Carroll, M Miller, William Dunne, Richard Howley, T J Kennedy, William Carroll, John Kennedy, M Meagher, John Meagher. Lattin—William Ryan, Laurence Quinlan. Emly—Elly Burke, Michael Phelan, M Donovan. Knockavilla William Morrissey, James Madden, M Ryan, William Hickey. Carrick-on-Suir—Joseph Thompson, Edmond Larkin, John M'Cormack, M Dowdall, John Christopher. Gurtnahoe—Thomas Moloney, John Maloney, John Morriss, Patrick Darcy, James Rafter. Cullen—John Lundon, Timothy Donovan, James Fitzgerald. Clonoen—Simon Delahunty, James Kennedy, R H O'Shea, M Heffernan, James Shee, J Noonan. New Inn—M Cooney, M Gibbons, M Purcell. Rossmore and Clonoulty Thomas Ryan, James Dwyer, John Crowe, Laurence Condon. Golden—D Moloney, T Gorman, N Cummins, N Blake, J F O'Brien, P Ryan, P Dalton. Kilsheelan—J J Fleming, R Kiely, J Fleming. Moyglass—James O'Meara, John Ryan, Michael O'Keeffe.

The Mayor, who was very warmly received, thanked those present for asking him to preside at so representative a convention. They all knew the great necessity for unity and organisation. They saw the harm and destruction which had been wrought by disunion and dissension in the Irish Party in the past years, and how the country had gone back to where they had been ten years ago. That would not have occurred if they had remained in one solid, united phalanx. He appealed to those present to forward the cause of unity, and hoped they would work in the interests of the organisation. They were aware that their common enemy was still in the field, taking advantage of every opportunity and of any disunity amongst the people. There was no room in their country for more than one organisation. That was the National organisation, and he hoped the people would show their enemies their real feeling. They had been anxious for past years to have a hall like this, and to be able to give it for meetings like the present. Some time ago they could not hold a Nationalist meeting in that hall, but in future it would be open, and he was proud to be the first Mayor who was able to give it for such a purpose (applause).

The Mayor having been called away on business, Mr P Kenrick, U C, Fethard, was called to the chair, and a vote of thanks was passed to his worship.

Mr Shee, M P, said Mr Field, M P, had written expressing regret that he could not attend, and mentioned that Mr Condon, M P, had a prior engagement in Thurles. He then proceeded to explain the programme, constitution, and the rules of the Land and Labour Association, and submitted the following resolutions:—

1. That this Labour Convention endorses the Labour programme contained in the questions for County and Rural District Councillors and Poor Law Guardians, now submitted to the Convention, and calls on all organisations of the Trade and Labour in Tipperary County S R, to oppose every candidate who refuses to pledge himself to the principles of such programme.

2. That this convention calls for unity of purpose, of principle, and of organisation among all trade and labour societies in Tipperary County, and to achieve this most desirable and important end that a county organising committee be now formed, consisting of one representative of each organisation or parish represented here. That six members of the organising committee form a committee; that it meet at Clonmel Town Hall on Saturday, the 25th instant, and subsequently on such dates and at such places as its members shall decide, and that it shall be replaced by a county committee of delegates of branches, duly elected by their fellow members, as soon as convenient, and that the duty of such county committee shall be to safeguard the interests of labour, and to press unremittingly for the carrying into effect of the labour programme endorsed by this convention, by the new Tipperary Council S R, and the new District Councils elected for Tipperary County.

3. That this convention urges all Irish members of Parliament to see that any scheme of old age pensions brought forward shall apply to Ireland, and that the Bill to enable workmen to become the owners of their houses can be availed of by all artisans and labourers in town and country.

4. That this convention requests the Parliamentary representatives of the County Tipperary to take immediate steps to press on the attention of the Government by every means in their power the necessity of giving increased facilities to both Urban and Rural District Councils to acquire land to be parcelled out into allotments up to four acres in extent for the working classes, and thereby give effect to the unanimous resolution of the House of Commons passed in April, 1892; that the delegates present pledge themselves to support home manufactures in every way possible, and especially by securing that the new Councils shall give a preference to Irish manufactures in taking contracts for supplies.

Mr M O'Connell, T C, Clonmel, proposed the adoption of the resolutions in globo.

Mr D I Quann, U C, Tipperary seconded.

Mr E F Walsh, as a District Councillor returned unopposed, supported the resolutions.

Mr John English and Mr Kennedy having supported the resolutions they were passed.

Mr Shee, M P, then went on to further explain the rules and constitution of the association in detail, and said it would be the duty of the convention to appoint a representative from each of the branches to form a county committee. Each member should pay a shilling per year to the Central Council, and that Council would pay back one-fourth to the branch and one-fourth to the County Committee. Each branch should contribute to the county committee 5s to cover expenses of the committee for printing, etc. Every 20 men had a right to have a representative on the Executive. The convention having adopted the form of questions to be submitted to the candidates for Rural District Council and Boards of Guardians, it would be the duty of each branch to send copies to the candidates in their districts and get them to sign them. They should be asked whether they pledge themselves to support the principles of the association or not, and if they refused to pledge themselves every labourer in the district was bound to oppose such a man's return.

After some conversation, on the motion of Mr J F O'Brien, seconded by Mr E Larkin, the following were appointed to act as a committee for the South Riding until the regular committee is duly appointed:—Messrs Michael Phelan, Emly; P Kenrick, Fethard; D L Quann, Tipperary; John Morris, Gortnahoe; Michael Ryan, Lattin; John Mahor, Killenaule; J F O'Brien, Golden; J Lundon, Cullen; James Madden, Knockavella; M O'Shea, Kilsheelan; James O'Meara, Moyglass; James Kennedy, Clonoen; Thomas Ryan, Clonoulty and Rossmore; James J Buggy, Cashel; E F Walsh, T C, Clonmel; Michael Hogan, C R, I N F, Clonmel; Michael O'Connell, T C, Labour Electoral Association, Clonmel; Michael Dowdall, Carrick-on-Suir; M L Gibbons, New Inn, Cahir.

Votes of thanks to the chairman and Mr Shee, M P, brought the proceedings to a close.

DR DE JONGH'S LIGHT-BROWN COD LIVER OIL.—THE FACILITY WITH WHICH THIS OIL IS DIGESTED IS ONE OF ITS PECULIAR CHARACTERISTICS. Dr Edgar Sheppard, Professor of Psychological Medicine, King's College, writes—"Dr Sheppard has made extensive use of Dr de Jongh's Light-Brown Cod Liver Oil, and has great pleasure in testifying to its superiority over every other preparation to be met with in this country. It has the rare excellence of being well borne and assimilated by stomachs which reject the ordinary Oils." Sold only in capsuled Imperial Half-pints, 2s 6d; Pints, 4s 9d; Quarts, 9s, by all chemists. Sole Consignees) Ansar, Harford and Co, Ltd, 210 High Holborn, London.—Advt.

FASHION AND VARIETIES.

VICEREGAL COURT.

The Lord Lieutenant was present at a meeting of the Cabinet held at the Foreign Office on Tuesday. His Excellency attended the funeral service for Lord Herschell in Westminster Abbey yesterday morning before going to the Cabinet meeting.

Her Excellency Countess Cadogan leaves Dublin this morning for Knowsley Park, Lancashire, on a short visit to the Earl and Countess of Derby.

Their Excellencies will return to the Viceregal Lodge at the end of the week.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

Lady Isabel Clayton has arrived at Kingstown from England.

Hon A Chichester has arrived at Kingstown from England.

Sir W and Lady Russell has arrived at Kingstown from England.

Sir John Kane has arrived at Kingstown from England.

His Honor Judge Adams has arrived at Kingstown from England.

Countess of Milltown has left Kingstown for England.

Sir Joseph and Lady M'Kenna have left Kingstown for England.

Hon Percy Wyndham has left Kingstown for England.

Sir Timothy O'Brien, Bart, has left Kingstown for England.

Sir R Penrose Fitzgerald, M P, has left Kingstown for England.

Right Hon A H Smith-Barry, M P, has left Kingstown for England.

Herbert Robertson, M P, has left Kingstown for England.

Hon Theresa Fitzwilliam has left Kingstown for England.

Lady Beresford has left Kingstown for England.

Departures from Kingstown per Royal Mail steamers—T E Kelsall, R E; A Herbert Curtis, H W Kelsall, R E; Miss Scarlett, Miss Wigram, Mrs Holland, John A Dunne, J Hague, Albert Hood, Mrs Bernard Daly, Mr James P O'Reilly, Mrs William Fry, Miss Ethel Fry, Miss Lilian C Fry, W Milward Jones, Mrs Ruxton Fitzherbert, Miss Broadhurst.

Arrivals at Kingstown per Royal Mail steamers—Mr. Croker, D L, and Mrs Croker, Mrs Scott, J Hague, Miss L Hague, Miss M Hague, W A M'Donald, Mr, and Mrs S Verschoyle, Mrs Robert Jameson, J Stuart Bolden, Mrs Hope Johnston, J M Brown, F R Brown, R R Geoghegan, Gore Booth, Mrs A W Lawder, Martin E W Hill, Mrs Frank Kent, C Ball, J P; Edward J Cooper, J Henry, M D; Rev Louis J Condon, O S A; Rev F Maher, O S A.

Arrivals at North Wall Station by the London and North Western Company's express passenger steamer—Cecil Moriarty, C P Rixon, A E Simpson, Henry Moore, G Harman, J Sealy P O'R Butler, E J Campbell, T Little, M Ryan J Ryan, Henry G Allen, E P Gordon Hearder R C Townshend, Mrs G Crawford, Miss Crawford, C J Mills, H C Mills, C Carpenter, Henry Carpenter, W J Rae.

Departures from North Wall Station by the London and North-Western Company's express passenger steamer — Dr Macorry, Mrs Macorry, Dr R C H Kennedy, Fred Thompson, Mrs Thompson, C W Rochford, A E Redfern, Mrs Redfern, Miss Redfern, H Clifford, Mrs Clifford, Miss Alice Clifford, Mrs W I Poole, Miss Poole, Henry Jackson, Mrs H Jackson, the Misses Jackson, Mrs H S Kerr, Miss Muriel Kerr, W H Pope, C Dunlope, Henry Dunlope, T W Price, C Lerman.

ALL-IRELAND PIG DEALERS' ASSOCIATION.

A specially convened meeting of the above was held in the Prince of Wales' Hotel, Athlone, on the eve of the pig fair. The following were present—Messrs T A Byrne, president (in the chair); M Murphy, vice-president; M J Byrne, hon treasurer; J Wright, Portadown; M M'Allister, Dundalk; H M'Cormack, Dundalk; Pat Brady, Dundalk; Owen Hanratty, Dundalk; M Sharp, Dublin; E Brown, Dublin; W Molloy, Dublin; D Daly, Dublin; P Seagrave, Dublin; C Flinter, Dublin; Laurence Lord, Dublin; Wm Lillis, Dublin; J O'Shaughnessy, Dublin; Andrew M'Carren, Cavan; E Mallan, Cavan; P M'Kenna, Longford; P M'Gowan, Longford; Thomas M'Gowan, Longford; — Quinn, Ballymote; Jas Caulfield, Waterford; A Ryan, Waterford; John Gilligan, Sligo; P M'Garry, Sligo; James Gray, Sligo; W Tuite, Oldcastle; James Morrison, Clones; Owen Moore, Finea; James Dalton, Cavan; James Doherty, Drumna; Thomas O'Neill, Preston, England; James O'Neill, Athlone; Pat Sharkey, Dromod; E M'Entee, Monaghan; Thomas Rogers, Navan; John Gallagher, Enniskillen; Thomas Rogers, Waterford; Fred Danson, Huddersfield; Jas O'Connor, Limerick; Thomas Cregg, Castlerea; Hugh M'Clean, Wicklow; John Byrne, Glentague; and Pat Byrne, Glentague.

The President expressed pleasure at seeing such a large and representative attendance at such short and hurried notice. Cases of infringement of rules having been dealt with, on the motion of Mr P Brady, the meeting unanimously thanked the president and the other officers for their unceasing exertions on their behalf when dealing with the different companies regarding freights and other matters. Any privileges or benefits they had derived were entirely due to the organisation, so capably conducted by Messrs T A Byrne, M Byrne, and their worthy vice-president, Mr Murphy. The Chairman said they would now adjourn until the 27th April, when they would celebrate their first annual reunion. As they were aware, a dinner and ball would follow that meeting, and he trusted there would be very few absent members or their lady friends. Members could invite their friends to the dinner and ball.

NATIONAL LITERARY SOCIETY.

The National Literary Society was "at home" on Monday evening. There was a good attendance of members and their friends. Among those present were—Dr Geo Sigerson, F R U I (President); William A Craig, J P, M R I A; Mrs Craig, Messrs Charles Dawson, T O'Neill Russell, P J O'Reilly, D J O'Donoghue, Mr and Mrs Duncan, Misses O'Leary, Mr W O'Leary Curtis, Mr J F Curtis, Messrs W B Baker, F H R Brady, Miss M Hayden, M A, F R U I; Miss Henderson, Mr W S Little, Miss A Lloyd, Miss B M Kelly, Miss Rooney, Mr and Miss Kenny, Dr J P Quinn, Dean Piatt; Miss Brodie, G P Sigerson, M A; Miss Sigerson, W A Henderson, Hon Sec; etc, etc. An interesting programme of Irish music was gone through. Miss Harriet Rose-Byrne gave a fine rendering of "Snowy Breasted Pearl." Miss O'Leary sang "Husheen," and MrsScarff Goodman's fine contralto was heard to advantage in a "Munster Lullaby," words by Dr Geo Sigerson. Miss Donaldson was warmly applauded for her beautiful and artistic rendering of "Rich and Rare," and again charmed her audience by her singing of "The Green Isle of Erin." Miss Delany sang with great taste and expression "The Exile's Return." Mr Duncan sang "The Colleen Cailindonn," words by Dr Sigerson. Mr Craig recited an original poem, with musical accompaniment, "The Leprechaun," which was much appreciated. Mr T O'Neill-Russell gave a recitation in Irish, and Mr J Holloway gave a vigorous reading of "Paudrigh Crohoore. The President announced that Mr W B Yeats would deliver a lecture, entitled "The Intellectual Movement in Ireland, the Irish Literary Theatre, and Dramatic Ideals," on Monday, the 27th inst.

THE LATE MR. JOHN O'SHAUGHNESSY.

The funeral of the late Mr John O'Shaughnessy, who met his death under such painful circumstances while bicycling on the Clontarf road on Friday evening, took place yesterday. The funeral was very largely attended, and the great numbers who attended to testify their respect for his memory showed the general esteem in which he was held. The chief mourners were:—Messrs Thomas O'Shaughnessy, Joseph O'Shaughnessy, Christopher Rooney, and Michael Humphreys. There were also present:—The Very Rev Canon Conlin, P P; Rev Father Purcell, O P; Rev Father Murphy, O P; Very Rev Father T Anderson, P P; Rev Father J Anderson, C C; T Harrington, M P; Wm Bobbet, J P; Thomas Connelly, John Fogarty, Michael Anderson, Edward Malone, Richard Dawson, Thomas Coleman, E P Monk, J P; H W Mullen and J P Costello (representatives Dublin Artesian) — Peter Leech, S Warren, Jos Behan, James Bowe, J T Meagher, J Gately, J M'Sharry, M Hanlon, and P Hanlon (employees), P Doyle, — Madden, T Hanlon, T J O'Neill, T C; John Hanlon, John Smith, William Smith, Thomas Gaver, T Harrington, John Harrington, James Harrington, Owen Coyle, Owen Kellett, M Lawlor, C Grimes, M Kirwan, N Seavers, C Newman, C Duffy, P Butler, C Dunne, J Lloyd, T Lloyd, and E Lloyd.

LICENSED GROCERS AND VINTNERS' ASSOCIATION.

THE PEEL DRAFT REPORT.

Yesterday a meeting of the committee was held at the offices, Commercial Buildings. The chairman (Alderman Hennessy) presided, and there were present—Messrs John Behan, D L Bergin, T C; D Burke, T C; John Burke, T Cahill, T Davy, Wm Davy, Joseph Delahunt, J Delahenty, C Dowling, J Fanning, M Fanning, John Fogarty, J Hayes, M Kennedy, J Kennedy, P Leech, T C; P Little, T C; T M'Auley, Wm M'Grath, P J Murphy, J J Nagle, A O'Grady, P O'Hara, T C; M O'Meara, Right Hon the Lord Mayor, Wm Quinlan, Robt Russell, secretary, and Martin O'Byrne, assistant-secretary.

Correspondence included letters from the Liberty and Property Defence League, Licensed Victuallers' National Defence League, the National Trade Defence Fund, the Central Protection Society of London, the Cork Licensed Vintners' Association, Belfast Vintners' Association, Messrs Cantrell and Cochrane, Messrs Adam Scott and Co, Messrs John D'Arcy and Son; Messrs John Jameson and Son, Limited; Messrs Beamish and Crawford, Cork; the Mountjoy Brewery, Limited; Messrs Lane and Co, Southgate Brewery, Cork; the Castlebellingham and Drogheda Breweries, Limited; Messrs Corcoran and Co, Carlow, and several county delegates of the Central Committee. The correspondence chiefly dealt with the proposed general meeting of the trade of Ireland to protest against the action of the majority of the members of the Royal Commission. Attention was called to the public statement in the newspapers as to the time at which the report was delivered to the Commissioners for consideration. From this it appeared that several of the Commissioners were actually handed the draft in the room on the day upon which they were asked to consider it, and that no member received a copy of the document sooner than twenty-four hours before the meeting of the Commission. The correspondence generally contained an expression of opinion as to the unfairness, under the circumstances, of forcing the consideration of the report, and of warm approval of the proposed protest.

The County Licensing List was read and ruled upon.

A report was received from the solicitor with reference to a recent decision of a Dublin police magistrate, and certain steps were ordered to be taken with reference thereto.

The Christmas-box and almanac questions were discussed, and arrangements made with reference to a deputation visiting certain districts in the city.

A report was read from the Royal Commission Sub-Committee re the general meeting of the trade, and a resolution was passed approving of their action, and the steps they had taken to make the Conference thoroughly representative of the trade of the entire country.

HOUSE PAINTERS AND THE COMPENSATION ACT.

IMPORTANT DECISION.

The Lords Justices, in the English Court of Appeal on Saturday, in a case under the Workmen's Compensation Act, held that a man who was painting the outside of a house was not engaged "repairing or constructing a building," and that, as he was standing on a board resting on a window sill and on the rung of a ladder, he was not on a "scaffold." The County Court Judge had decided that the man who met with an accident in these circumstances was entitled to compensation under the Act, but the Court of Appeal overruled his decision, and entered judgment for the employers.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

YESTERDAY.

SOUTHERN DIVISION—(Before Mr. Byrne.)

BREAKING GLASS.

George Flynn, of Meath square, a labourer, was charged in custody of Police constable 153A with having maliciously broken three panes of glass in the shop window 47 Meath street, the property of Christopher Ward. He was also charged with having resisted arrest and threatening the constable at the station that he would do for him when he got out of jail.

Mr Byrne sentenced the prisoner to two months' imprisonment for breaking the glass and fined him 40s or one month for the assault.

TURNING THE TABLES.

William Grady, a labourer, of 8 Ashe street, was charged by his wife with having assaulted her at Engine alley by catching her by the hair, boxing her about the face and knocking her down. There was a cross charge by the husband against his wife for assault. Having heard the evidence,

Mr. Byrne dismissed the charge against the husband and sent Mrs Grady to jail for a month for having assaulted her husband.

AN UNNATURAL SON.

Daniel Donovan, a tobacco spinner, was charged in custody of Constable 59 A with having assaulted his mother at 64 South Earl street. He was sent to jail for one month.

NORTHERN DIVISION—(Before Mr Mahony)

THE GLASS-BREAKING CRAZE.

A rough-looking character, named Patrick Derry, was put forward, in custody of Constable 36 C, charged with having deliberately smashed the plate-glass window of the establishment of Mr Thomas Fry, 40 Upper O'Connell street. The value of the property injured was estimated at about £20.

Mr W V Harvey, commercial agent, deposed that he was passing near the shop, and saw the prisoner take up a stone and fling it through the window. He immediately pointed out the accused to Constable 36 C, who promptly arrested him.

Mr Thomas Fry, proprietor of the furniture and upholstery establishment, deposed that the value of the glass broken was about £8, but in addition to that a valuable cabinet was injured.

The prisoner was sent for trial to the Commission.

UNNATURAL PARENTS.

John Fay and Mary Fay were charged at the instance of Inspector Taylor, N S P C C, with having grossly neglected and ill-treated their three children, two little girls and a little boy.

Inspector Taylor was examined, and gave evidence to the effect that the defendants lived at Richardson's cottages, off Purdon street, and he described the condition of filth and neglect in which he found the children.

Mr Mahony sent the prisoners to jail for three months each, with hard labour, and gave the children over to the care of Inspector Taylor.

AN UNKNOWN WOMAN FOUND DEAD.

Last night about nine o'clock, a woman who has not been identified, was found in an unconscious condition at Summerhill. She was conveyed by Constables 108 C and 91 C to Jervis street Hospital where, on examination, Dr White pronounced her dead.

SWITZER'S ASSISTANTS' DANCE.

On St Patrick's Night the assistants of Messrs Switzer and Company, Limited, Grafton street, held their annual dance in the Antient Concert Rooms. The re-union, which included a large number of guests, was rendered more enjoyable by the presence of several of the leading members of the firm. Mr James Clements, Managing Director, Mr and Mrs Switzer, Mr W Graham, and Mr Arison, Secretary, attended. Messrs L Liddell and R F Ryan discharged with efficiency the duties of masters of ceremonies. The decorations, which were very artistic, were supplied by Messrs Switzer. The catering was entrusted to the Grand Restaurant, whilst the refreshments were supplied by the International Bar. The floor was in fine condition, and, with the music provided by Mr Oscar Mey's famous No 1 Band, there was every element conducive to an enjoyable entertainment.

SPORTING NEWS.

LINCOLN MEETING.

YESTERDAY.

LINCOLN HANDICAP.

VICTORY OF AN IRISH BRED HORSE.

Lincoln, Tuesday.

Owing principally to the fact that it is the first important event of the season, the Lincolnshire Handicap has enjoyed unique popularity, and not for some years has the event been considered more open or interesting than it was on this occasion, and if the victory of General Peace was not exactly a surprise it hardly benefitted the great majority of backers. With another severe attack of winter the prospects of the second day's proceedings being carried out seemed far from favourable in the early hours of this morning, and so severe was the frost that the usual exercise had to be dispensed with. A few horses out were only able to trot or walk about. A thick mist and later scudding showers did not improve matters, but at ten o'clock the sun burst through the haze, and as he gradually gained more power the surface of the ground was quickly thawed, and when the proceedings commenced at two o'clock the Carholme was in capital order for racing. As usual the toiling thousands arrived by excursion trains early, and the narrow streets of the cathedral city soon presented a congested spectacle, so it was no surprise to find one of the largest attendances of recent years. If the atmosphere was a little warmer than yesterday the north-east wind was intensely searching, but otherwise the afternoon passed off pleasantly enough. The field for the principal race was considerably in excess of last year, whilst it was also much better in regard to quality. The eleventh hour wagering was in favour of Clipstone, who became a very hot favourite at the finish, whilst the amount of money for Hawfinch caused Prince Barcaldine to become much easier in the market, though his connections were exceedingly sanguine that he would follow up his last year's victory and place the race to the credit of the Foxhill Stable for the fourth consecutive year. The race, however, proved quite disastrous to the front rank of favourites, as with Clipstone outpaced from the start he retired early from the contest, whilst neither Hawfinch nor Prince Barcaldine flattered their backers. In fact in the last quarter of a mile General Peace and Knight of the Thistle were out by themselves, but despite all Sloan's efforts he could never get Knight of the Thistle on terms with General Peace, who won by four lengths. In point of appearance he has never been the horse he was to-day, but with two being started from the stable the public were to a large extent chary of supporting Captain Bewicke's horse. Nun Nicer, though apparently not fancied, ran very well, and as she was third best she should not be long in securing a nice race for Sir J B Maple. The enormous field continued throughout the afternoon, but delays were often pretty lengthy so it was late when the business of the day was brought to an end. A very indifferent lot of youngsters contested the Sudbrooke Selling Plate, in which the American jockey, Tod Sloan, had his first mount of the season on Swirl. The winner was, however, found in Lady Janet, a racing little daughter of Janissary—Philippine, who was afterwards bought in for 370 guineas. The veteran False Step ran practically unbacked by the stable in the Hainton Stakes in which he unexpectedly bowled over a warm favourite in Tophet. We are afraid that little was forthcoming to Robinson's stable for the defeat of Prince Barcaldine when Esmeralda cantered away with the Brocklesby Trial Stakes, as her victory was not looked for, so little profit accrued in consequence. The Rothschild colours are generally to the fore at Lincoln, but it was not until Cracko came on the scene in the Lincoln Stakes that the blue and yellow were seen in the van, and with a short price always accepted about this handsome son of Lactantius—All Gay he won in easy style. Baden was a strong order for the Maiden Stakes, and no mistake was made in the selection as he outpaced his opponents throughout. Details—

BETTING ON THE COURSE BEFORE RACING.

100 to 14 agst Prince Barcaldine (taken)
100 to 14 — Clipstone (taken)
8 to 1 — Hawfinch (taken)
100 to 12 — Knight of the Thistle (t)
100 to 8 — General Peace (taken)
100 to 8 — Lord Edward II (taken)
30 to 1 — Kilcock (taken)

2 0—The SUDBROOKE SELLING PLATE of 105 sovs; for two year olds; the second saves entrance. Five furlongs.

Mr Worton's Lady Janet, by Janissary—Philippine, 8st 11lb ... K Cannon 1
Mr Miller's Snake in the Grass, 8st 11lb ... Halsey 2
Mr March's Germanicus, 8st 11lb ... Madden 3
Mr Cockfield's Foul Play, 9st ... Rickaby 0
Sir W Griffith's Swirl, 9st ... Sloan 0
Mr Monkshall's Stolen Drug, 9st (car 9st 1lb) ... Hunt 0
Mr Barnato's Temptress, 8st 11lb ... Martin 0
Mr Cannon's Sea Devil, 8st 11lb ... M Cannon 0
Mr Chandler's Clarina filly, 8st 11lb (car 8st 13lb) ... F Pratt 0
Mr Calton Fox's Look Ahead, 8st 11lb ... Lofthouse 0
Mr Deplidge's Juliona filly, 8st 11lb ... Chandley 0
Mr Murray Griffith's Crow More filly, 8st 11lb ... Fagan 0
Mr Hammond's Polaris gelding, 8st 11lb ... Finlay 0
Mr Robinson's Gammer filly, 8st 11lb ... Robinson 0
Mr de Rothschild's Uina, 8st 11lb ... T Loates 0
Major Scott's Solo filly, 8st 11lb ... Allsopp 0
Prince Soltykoff's Arcadia, 8st 11lb ... Sharples 0
Lord Tempest's La France, 8st 11lb ... S Loates 0
Mrs White's Lay Sister gelding, 8st 11lb (car 8st 1lb) ... Bradford 0

(Winner trained by Worton.)

Betting—4 to 1 agst Germanicus, 5 to 1 agst Swirl, 7 to 1 agst Snake in the Grass, 8 to 1 each agst Temptress and Gammer filly, 10 to 1 agst Sea Devil, 100 to 8 each agst Clarina filly and Lady Jannet, 100 to 7 agst Solo filly.

After a long delay Snake in the Grass got off in front of Germanicus and Solo filly, with Uina, Swirl, and Lady Jannet heading the others to the distance, where Snake in the Grass assumed command, but was caught in the last fifty yards by Lady Jannet, who won on the post by a head; two lengths separated second and third. Swirl was fourth, Clarina filly fifth, Temptress sixth, Sea Devil next, and Stolen Drug last.

Winner bought in for 370 gns. Polaris was sold to Mr Heap for 12 gns, filly by Warlaby—Julietta to Mr Nichol for 13 gns, La France to Mr J G Elsey for 12 gns.

2 30—The HAINTON STAKES (handicap) of 400 sovs; the second to receive 25 sovs. About a mile and a half.

Mr J Fishell's False Step, by Carlton—Guiding Star, aged, 8st 4lb ... Madden 1
Mr Clark's The Shaughraun, 6 yrs, 7st 8lb ... Allsopp 2
Lord Durham's Tophet, 4 yrs, 7st 10lb ... T Loates 3
Mr Clarke's Pedant, 6 yrs, 9st 1lb ... Robinson 0
Sir J Thursby's Trevor, 5 yrs, 9st ... Mr Thursby 0
Mr Maclachlan's Marthus, 4 yrs, 8st 3lb ... Lane 0
Mr Pickering's Bayard II, 4 yrs, 7st 12lb ... S Loates 0
Mr Eccles's Postula, 4 yrs, 7st 10lb ... Yarnall 0
Mr Dickerson's Pastoral, 5 yrs, 7st 12lb ... Luke 0

(Winner trained by J Waugh.)

Betting—5 to 4 agst Tophet, 5 to 1 agst Pedant, 7 to 1 each agst Trevor and Marthus, 10 to 1 agst any other (offered).

Tophet settled down in front of Pastoral, False Step, and Bayard II, with Shaughraun next, and Marthus in the rear, until seven furlongs from home, when Postula went on second, in advance of Shaughraun and False Step. When fairly in the straight Shaughraun headed Tophet, but failed to stall off the challenge of False Step, who won a good race by half a length; four lengths separated second and third. Pedant was fourth and Pastoral last.

Betting on the Course during Racing.

Lincoln Handicap.

5 to 1 agst Clipstone (t)
100 to 14 — Prince Barcaldine (t)
8 to 1 — Hawfinch (t)
8 to 1 — Knight of the Thistle (t)
100 to 8 — Lord Edward II
100 to 8 — General Peace (t)
100 to 6 — Succoth (t)
100 to 6 — Sacripant (t)
20 to 1 — Rookwood (t)
20 to 1 — Irish Ivy (t)
20 to 1 — Kilcock (t)
25 to 1 — Sallins (t)
25 to 1 — Nun Nicer (t)
40 to 1 — Carlin (t)
40 to 1 — David II (t)

3 15—The LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP of 1000 sovs, added to a sweepstakes of 15 sovs each, 10ft; the second received 100 sovs and the third 50 out of the stakes. The Straight Mile.

Captain Bewicke's GENERAL PEACE, by Gallinule—Moira, 5 yrs, 7st 5lb ... O Madden 1
Lord W Beresford's KNIGHT OF THE THISTLE, 6 yrs, 8st 4lb ... T Sloan 2
Mr Long's LORD EDWARD II, 5 yrs, 6st 12lb ... H Luke, jun 3
Mr S Darling's Kilcock, aged, 8st ... Watts 0
Sir J Blundell Maple's Nun Nicer, 4 yrs, 7st 12lb ... T Loates 0
Mr Curtis's Archduke II, 4 yrs, 6st 12lb ... Clipstone 0
Mr C S Newton's Clipstone, 6 yrs, 7st 11lb ... S Loates 0
Mr Patton's Resolute II, 6 yrs, 7st 9lb ... Woodburn 0
Mr M'Creery's Prince Barcaldine, 6 yrs, 7st 9lb ... N Robinson 0
Mr Bottomley's Hawfinch, 4 yrs, 7st 7lb ... F Finlay 0
Mr Daly's Succoth, 4 yrs, 7st 7lb ... Allsopp 0
Mr Percy's Kopeley, 6 yrs, 7st 5lb ... Sexton 0
Mr Cockburn's David II, 5 yrs, 7st 4lb ... H Jones 0
Prince Soltykoff's Leisure Hour, 4 yrs, 7st 3lb ... S Chandley 0
Mr Rivers's Little Eva, 4 yrs, 6st 11lb ... Chaloner 0
Mr L de Rothschild's Sacripant, 4 yrs, 6st 13lb ... C Parkin 0
Lord Durham's Dubuque, 4 yrs, 6st 12lb ... Stockley 0
Mr Buchanan's Easthorpe, 6 yrs, 6st 12lb ... A Platt 0
Mr de Parravicini's Rookwood, 4 yrs, 6st 7lb ... Dalton 0
Mr Mare's Oronsay, 6 yrs, 6st 7lb ... Whiteside 0
Mr Inglis's Court Ball, aged, 6st 7lb ... E Weatherall 0
Mr King's Carlin, 3 yrs, 6st 5lb ... Smart 0
Lord Wolverton's Sallins, 4 yrs, 6st 5lb ... Murray 0
Mr Bende's Misunderstood, 5 yrs, 6st ... Parker 0
Captain Peel's Irish Ivy, 5 yrs, 6st 3lb ... J Doyle, jun 0
Mr Wallis's Star of Peace, aged, 6st ... Walkington 0

(Winner trained by Powney.)

Betting—4 to 1 agst Clipstone, 95 to 20 agst Hawfinch, 8 to 1 agst Prince Barcaldine, 9 to 1 agst Knight of the Thistle, 100 to 9 agst Lord Edward II, 100 to 7 agst General Peace, 100 to 6 agst Succoth, 20 to 1 agst Rookwood, 25 to 1 each agst Sacripant, Kilcock, Sallins, and Dubuque, 33 to 1 each agst Nun Nicer, Carlin, David II, and Leisure Hour, 40 to 1 each agst Easthorpe, Misunderstood, and Irish Ivy, 50 to 1 agst Kopely, 66 to 1 agst Little Eva, 100 to 1 each agst Court Ball and Archduke II, 200 to 1 each agst Resolute II, Oronsay, and Star of Peace.

Places—6 to 4 each agst Clipstone and Hawfinch, 9 to 4 each agst Prince Barcaldine and Knight of the Thistle, 3 to 1 each agst Lord Edward II and General Peace, 4 to 1 agst Succoth, 5 to 1 agst Rookwood, 6 to 1 each agst Sacripant, Kilcock, Sallins and Dubuque, 8 to 1 each agst Nun Nicer, Carlin, David II, and Leisure Hour, 10 to 1 each agst Irish Ivy, Easthorpe, and Misunderstood, 100 to 8 agst Kopeley, 100 to 6 each agst Little Eva and Court Ball, 20 to 1 agst Archduke II, 25 to 1 each agst Resolute II, Oronsay, and Star of Peace.

It was considerably after time when Kilcock led the parade from Leisure Hour, Lord Edward II, and Hawfinch, with Resolute II, Star of Peace, and Irish Ivy leading the others, who were whipped in by Kopeley. Kilcock was also first in the canter, but Nun Nicer and Succoth did not take any part in the preliminaries, nor did Prince Barcaldine, who was saddled on the far side of the course. It was a quarter of an hour after the time when the lot assembled at the post. There was a long delay, as in a break away, in which Nun Nicer, Little Eva, Sallins, and Prince Barcaldine were prominent, Court Ball bolted, and ran the full course, and eventually when the flag fell, about three-quarters of an hour late, he was left at the post. Little Eva was then first off, and was followed by Leisure Hour, Knight of the Thistle, and General Peace, with Clipstone, Hawfinch, and Rookwood next, and then came Nun Nicer, Lord Edward II., Prince Barcaldine, and David II.; and so they ran for half the journey, when Clipstone was in difficulties, and soon afterwards General Peace took up the running from Knight of the Thistle, Nun Nicer, Lord Edward II., and Prince Barcaldine. In the last quarter of a mile the race was confined to this lot, of whom General Peace always held Knight of the Thistle at bay, and eventually won by four lengths, the same distance dividing second and third. Nun Nicer was fourth, Prince Barcaldine fifth, Hawfinch sixth, David II. seventh, Clipstone eighth, Easthorpe ninth, Succoth tenth, Carlin eleventh, Misunderstood twelfth, and Oronsay last, with the exception of Court Ball, who took no part in the race.

4 0—The BROCKLESBY TRIAL STAKES (handicap) of 2 sovs each starter, with 100 sovs added; the second to receive 5 sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr M'Creery's Esmeralda II, by Righaway, dam by Galopin—Braw Lass, 5 yrs, 7st 12lb ... Robinson 1
Mr Maguire's Lady Athel, 6 yrs, 7st ... Chandley 2
Mr Singer's Pot Shot, 3 yrs, 6st 8lb ... Dalton 3
Mr Eccles's Mincio, 5 yrs, 8st 8lb ... Weldon 0
Mr Maclachlan's Lo Ben, 6 yrs, 8st 4lb ... Yarnall 0
Mr Douglas Baird's Grasse, 4 yrs, 7st 12lb ... Madden 0
Sir J Blundell Maple's Air Gun, 4 yrs, 7st 9lb ... T Loates 0
Mr Seymour's Squire Jack, 4 yrs, 8st 8lb (car 8lb) ... S Loates 0
Mr Curtis's Mincemeat, aged, 7st 8lb ... F Mitchell 0
Mr Love's Styrienne, 3 yrs, 7st 7lb ... C Archer 0
Mr Cassel's April Morn, 3 yrs, 7st 1lb ... Hayes 0
Mr Russell Munro's Wellhope, 4 yrs, 7st 3lb ... Barrett 0
Mr Hardy's Nip, 3 yrs, 6st 11lb ... Parkin 0
Mr Shepherd's Mango, 5 yrs, 6st 8lb ... Scott 0
Mr Johnstone's Lorenzaccio, 3 yrs, 6st 9lb ... Weatherall 0
Lord Decie's Red Queen filly, 3 yrs, 6st 8lb ... F Vasey 0
Mr Platt's Raysos, 3 yrs, 6st 8lb ... Doyle 0
Mr Griffith's Full Ripe, 3 yrs, 6st 8lb ... H Wilkins 0
Mr Marshall's Orontes II filly, 3yrs, 6st 7lb ... C Manser 0
Lord Wolverton's Rosenville, 3 yrs, 6st 7lb ... Murray 0

(Winner trained by Robinson.)

Betting—5 to 1 agst Squire Jack, 100 to 14 agst Air Gun, 8 to 1 each agst Lady Athel and Grasse, 100 to 7 each agst Periscope and Lorenzaccio, 100 to 6 agst Pot Shot, 20 to 1 any other.

Esmeralda II settled down in front, and making all the running won by three lengths; three-parts of a length separated second and third. Orontes II filly was fourth, April Morn fifth, Air Gun sixth, and Rosenville last.

4 30—The LINCOLN STAKES of 200 sovs, by subscription of 5 sovs each, 3 ft, for two year olds; second receives 10 sovs. Five furlongs.

Mr L de Rothschild's Cracko, by Lactantius—All Gay, 8st 12lb ... T Loates 1
Mr Vyner's Ortygian, 8st 12lb ... Rickaby 2
Mr Hermon-Hodge's Haskeval, 8st 12lb ... Allsopp 3
Mr Botterill's Greenlander, 8st 12lb ... Rickaby 0
Mr Bottomley's Prince Val, 8st 12lb ... Finlay 0
Mr Curtis's Star of Hanover, 8st 12lb ... Main 0
Sir S M Lockhart's c by Torpedo—Rinovata, 8st 12lb ... S Loates 0
Mr Taylor's Sharpe's Iconister, 8st 12lb ... Weldon 0
Mr White's c by Wiseman—Ethel Ree, 8st 12lb ... Horton 0
Mr Wigan's Flourish, 8st 9lb ... Hearne 0
Mr Burton's Little Gladys, 8st 9lb ... Simpson 0
Major Edwards's Robina, 8st 9lb ... Pickles 0
Sir R Waldie Griffith's Bettyfield, 8st 9lb ... S Cannon 0

On Saturday evening the "Shamrock" banquet took place at the Grand Hotel ou Louvre. Among those present were — The Very Rev Canon Connelly, Father O'Doherty, the Rev C Hermeline, Rev M Conteville, M L Nemours Godre, M C de Kirwan, M O'Toole, Mr C M'Carthy Teeling, M Auguste Roussel, M Joseph Mollet, M Paul Tailliez, Baron Farquharson-Stuart, M Boyer de Bouillane, Baron de Bernon, Dr Keating, and more than thirty other gentlemen.